

## FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.

The House committee on education has reported favorably the bill to aid in the establishment of homes in states and territories for teaching articulate speech and vocal language to deaf children before they are of school age.

Representative Johnson, of North Dakota, is preparing a bill providing for the complete extermination of the seal herd of Bering Sea. Mr. Johnson says the recent Bering Sea negotiations have further demonstrated the impossibility of stopping seal poaching. The seals are yielding the government nothing, as the exclusive privilege of taking seals, granted by the government, has yielded only a few thousand dollars since 1890. He says the government has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in commissions, and in maintaining a patrol of ships in Bering Sea. He says it has been amply demonstrated that the seals are a worthless asset, and that their extermination will be in the interest of peace among nations and of economy for the United States.

A telegram received at the Navy Department today stated that Rear Admiral Joseph F. Green, retired, died at Brookline, Mass., on the 9th inst.

It is understood that steps were taken today to convey a personal message to Secretary Gage to the effect that the sending of currency bills to the ways and means committee would be regarded as a personal affront to the chairman of the banking and currency committee, Mr. Walker.

The Department of Agriculture has made public a pamphlet prepared by Botanist Frederick V. Coville containing observations on recent cases of mushroom poisoning in the District of Columbia.

A small colony of Northern farmers who settled in Florida a short time ago are not satisfied with that State, and have written here making inquiries about land near Alexandria, which neighborhood they deem a more desirable location.

In the House yesterday Mr. Jones presented a petition from J. L. Hubbard, R. H. Randolph and sixty other citizens of Nelson county, Virginia, ex-slave owners and their heirs, for the payment of slave property destroyed by the war between the States.

The appointment of Mr. Thompson as postmaster at Dayton, Virginia, it is reported, was deferred until today.

People from Richmond here today say there is no doubt that Mr. Charles Janney of Leesburg will be elected judge of Loudoun county.

Captain Luty of Virginia is here today.

He says that though he was counted out of the republican nomination for Governor of his State by his own party, he is still young and hearty and tappy, and as he is a bachelor is open to and anxious for proposals.

A member of the executive committee of the republican party of Virginia, here today, says he has known from the first that the recommendations of that committee about appointments in Virginia would always be adopted, and that he is now convinced of it more than ever before, and that he is assured that the recommendations of Congressmen Yost and Walker will amount to little.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The board of visitors of the University of Virginia yesterday elected Prof. R. Heath Dabney to the chair of history and political economy, made vacant by the death of Professor George Frederick Holmes. The report of the committee on creating the office of president of the university was laid upon the table. Mr. Walter Mayo was elected assistant instructor of applied mathematics. In accordance with recommendations on the faculty the board passed a series of resolutions establishing scholarships worth \$200 in money beside free tuitions to pupils of the public schools of the State and scholarship without money to private schools of the country, all subject to conditions of entrance examinations. These scholarships are to be awarded to any private school which sends five academic students to the university in any one session. The board determined to dedicate the new university buildings on the 13th of April, Jefferson's birthday. It is intended to make the occasion memorable.

## JUDGES NOMINATED IN CAUCUS.

The democratic caucus in Richmond last night decided only two of the contested judgeships. In both cases the nominees are new men. In Stafford and King George R. L. Chichester was nominated over Judge Ashton, although the latter was supported by both the delegate and senator from that district. H. M. Dabney was nominated for Rappahannock over Judge Strother, who has been on the bench 27 years. The Fairfax-Alexandria county judgeship was not taken up in the caucus, but it is said it will be settled on Monday next.

## COURT OF APPEALS.

Petitions against City of Richmond, Argued and submitted.  
Southern Railway Company vs. Toctean. Argued and submitted.  
The next cases to be heard are Schmeltz Brothers vs. Rix & Bentley, No. 26, and Guarantee Company of North America against First National Bank, of Lynchburg, No. 27.

## THE GAZETTE.—In another column

will be found the prospectus of the Alexandria Gazette. While we find ourselves differing very radically from some of the Gazette's editorial utterances, it is by far the best news-gatherer in the State, and is one of our most valuable exchanges. Long may it live and prosper, one of the very landmarks of our State history; and what would we not give for a complete file of the Gazette!—[Manassas Journal.]

## FLOURING MILL FOR LEESBURG.

Mr. J. S. Wood, of Luray, with his family, arrived in Leesburg on Thursday. He will soon commence the erection of a flouring mill at the Leesburg depot, for the manufacture of high grade flour. He is a practical and experienced manufacturer of flour, and an agreeable gentleman.—[Leesburg Washington.]

## SENATIONAL STATEMENT.—La Patrie

Paris, prints a sensational statement of the substance of which is that the Dreyfus agitation is the outcome of an international plot to divert France's attention from events abroad, adding that an international syndicate with this object in view backed by foreign gold commenced operations in Belgium and developed them in Germany.

## Waldemar Dahlbom, an old, and at one

time well known, actor, dropped dead on Clark street, in Chicago, about midnight last night. Dahlbom was born in Denmark and was 65 years old.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

Postmaster-General Gary announced last night in Washington, that under no circumstances would he be a candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Mr. Gorman.

At Parsons, W. Va., yesterday, in the trial of Col. Eastham for the murder of Mr. Frank Thompson, several more witnesses testified for the defense that Thompson fired the first two shots.

At a meeting of colored voters at Annapolis, Md., Thursday a resolution was sent to Congressmen Mudd, asking for recognition of the negro in the appointment of cadets at the U. S. Naval Academy.

Alexander T. Johnson, a well known business man of Baltimore before the war, and son of the late Edward Johnson, who was mayor of Baltimore city from 1808 to 1816, died yesterday morning of general debility at the Aged Men's Home, in that city.

It is stated that a compact has been entered into between Senator Foraker and Senator Hanna, by which Foraker will make all the federal appointments in southern Ohio and Hanna in northern Ohio. The two Ohio Senators are working in the utmost harmony, and there is no possible chance for a conflict.

In the House of Representatives yesterday evening all amendments to the pension bill were voted down and the bill was adopted. As passed the bill carries \$141,263,880. Mr. Dingley made the statement that in his opinion there would be a surplus at the end of the fiscal year. Chairman Pitt was denied unanimous consent for the passage of the bill to prohibit pelagic sealing.

One of the largest trusts ever formed in this country was completed in Chicago yesterday, when the American M'Kinnon Company agreed to put up \$800,000 with which to purchase the leading breweries of the country. Plans are also being perfected to embrace in the same deal the purchase of all the leading distilleries, excepting the American Spirits Manufacturing Company, which is the old Greenbush trust.

It was learned yesterday that one of the biggest robberies in the history of the New York postoffice occurred on November 9. The amount involved is said to be in the neighborhood of \$100,000, and was taken from registered letters in the railway mail service on that section of the Central Railway of New Jersey known as the New York, Somerset and Easton branch. On November 9 it is stated that two bags, containing \$30,000, were taken.

Mr. William J. Bryan and his party arrived at Monterey, Mex., Thursday night and were welcomed by General Reyes, Mayor Sambrano and a great crowd of people. People were out in vast numbers last night. There was music on the plazas, and the electric light display was gorgeous. A reception at the Casino was the climax of a welcome which has astonished the guest of honor, who had intended to make a quiet and unostentatious visit to that country.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mrs. Sarah A. Tavenner, widow of Eli Tavenner, died at her home in Hamilton on Tuesday, in the 87th year of her age.

The City Council of Manchester has voted to reduce the salary of Judge Ingram, of the Corporation Court, from \$1,300 to \$1,000.

The Manassas Journal says Mr. D. F. Kerlin, of Nokesville, has bought the Shimer farm at Brantsville, containing 248 acres, at \$5.30 per acre.

R. A. Robinson, a native of Virginia, and a benefactor of Winchester, died in Louisville, Ky., Thursday night, at the age of eighty-two years.

In the United States Court at Lynchburg yesterday the damage suit of F. M. Threadgill was compromised by the United States Express Company paying him \$6,000.

The dwelling and kitchen in King George belonging to Mr. Charles Pusley were destroyed by fire this week. The family being away at the time nothing was saved.

Ritter Wright, colored, was confined in the Pittsylvania county jail yesterday, charged with murdering Lizzie Anderson, colored, and attempting to conceal his crime by burning the body in the house in which he had left it.

Mr. L. Stern, a prominent citizen of Ruthen Glen, Caroline county, died yesterday. He is survived by a widow and two sons—Col. J. Lane Stern, inspector general of State of Virginia, and Cary Ellis Stern—both residents of Richmond.

Gen. Dabney H. Maury, the eldest surviving Confederate officer in Virginia, has made application to the Legislature for a pension. This recalls a movement started in the General Assembly some years ago to pension President Davis and later to allow Mrs. Davis an annuity.

Gov. O'Ferrall declines to sign the bill for the repeal of the law against killing partridges, but will not veto it. It will become a law at the expiration of the fifth day after its passage, Sunday excepted. It finally passed the Senate on the 9th instant, so it will become law on the 15th.

The Leesburg Washingtonian says Mrs. Katie Beatty died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Snoot, near Poolesville, on the 8th inst. Her remains will be taken to Front Royal and laid to rest beside those of her husband. Mrs. Beatty was a daughter of the late Capt. J. M. Wampler.

The commission of Maryland and Virginia is engaged in an attempt to locate the boundary line at Pocomoke and Tangier sounds. Much difficulty is occasioned by the disappearance of marks which were established in 1833. A valuable reach of oystering and crabbing ground is involved in the dispute between the States.

The Business Men's Association of Fredericksburg held a meeting last night and passed resolution requesting the farmers of the Piedmont and Tidewater sections of Virginia to hold a convention in that city on January 20th for the purpose of starting a movement to encourage the raising of sugar beets and establishing a sugar manufactory.

Thomas F. Stearns, cashier of the late Traders' Bank, was acquitted in Lynchburg yesterday on two other indictments, charging him with criminal irregularities in the conduct of the bank. The only remaining indictment will be taken up today, with no doubt, a similar result. This will end the Traders' Bank prosecutions, which have created a sensation in that city and section for several months.

One Minute Cough Cure cures quickly. That's what you want! Charles G. Lennon.

## THE STUBBS INVESTIGATION.

The committee room in Richmond, in which the Stubbs investigation was held yesterday, was packed with spectators.

General George J. Hundley, when the investigation was resumed, said he was present to act as counsel for Mr. Stubbs; that he was there to see justice done his friend, and without expectation of reward. By reason of this investigation, said Gen. Hundley, Col. Stubbs would be forced to disclose secrets in his private life which he would gladly not have disclosed. He asked that Mr. Greer Baughman be placed on the stand as the man who first came into possession of the two checks paid to Stubbs by Womack. He asked Mr. Baughman to state from whom he received the cancelled checks. Mr. Baughman declined to answer.

The committee ruled that the checks had been placed in evidence and acknowledged to be genuine, and that should close the matter. Mr. Stubbs then took the stand and said that when he pronounced the checks forgeries Thursday he thought they were drawn in 1896, but now he recollected that in 1894 he had gone to the Confederate meeting in Birmingham. He met Womack at that place and treated him as any other gentleman. After the book scandal two years ago he had nothing to do with him. In Birmingham, went on Colonel Stubbs, in the summer of 1894 he, Womack and others had engaged in a game of cards, and he was forced to admit that the checks were in consideration of losses sustained during such games. In these games, said Colonel Stubbs, were himself, Mr. George Booker, Mr. Womack, Captain Henry and others. There had been a number of games there, he said, and he had won money from Womack. "We were all having a good time," said Colonel Stubbs, "and we did play cards a good deal."

In answer to a question by General Hundley as to whether he was addicted to the game of poker, Col. Stubbs said that it was one of the pleasures of life in which he frequently indulged. He played quite frequently, he said, during sessions of the Legislature. Colonel Stubbs said that it was often the practice in games of poker for the players to keep memoranda of their losses, and checks were often passed which did not state any consideration. The witness challenged any man to show that he had ever encouraged any particular book concern to come to Virginia. He emphasized the fact that the cause of the delay in securing a good history was largely due to the fact that it had been impossible to secure a meeting of the history committee. When asked if he knew that Womack and Henry were agents of book companies, Mr. Stubbs replied, "I did not." When asked how it was that he happened to receive two checks for different amounts on the same date, Col. Stubbs said that it might have been that Womack gave him one and he put it in his pocket, and that they then got into another game and he beat him again, forcing him to draw another check.

Colonel Stubbs said he was utterly unable to recall which check was given him first, nor could he remember what amount Womack owed him at the conclusion of the series of games in Birmingham. Colonel Stubbs said he had played several dozen games of poker with Womack, sometimes winning and sometimes losing, but that on the final result he came out winner. It was their custom, he said, to keep a memorandum of winnings and losses to be settled at some future date.

The chairman then quoted from the stenographic report of Thursday's proceedings, when Colonel Stubbs had declared he had never been intimate with Womack. Col. Stubbs said that he had played cards with Womack at intervals through a period of probably ten months, but he did not consider that he was intimate with him. He had played cards, he said, with people whom he would not invite to his house.

Chairman Woods then interrogated Col. Stubbs as to whether it was customary for poker debts to be paid months after they were due. In reply Colonel Stubbs said that parties owing such debts paid them when they were able.

"You have no idea," he said, "how sweet and indulgent we poor mortals who love to play cards are to each other. I'll never indulge again, though," he added, sotto voce. Colonel Stubbs then said that he had in the past, across the gaming board, both given and received checks, that his weakness in this respect was now known by his friends, but that in the future he would endeavor to reform and would refrain from those delightful games. In conclusion he reiterated that he had never received any bribe from any book company, and would go to his grave with the knowledge that he was innocent of such a charge. He then left the stand.

A telegram was read from J. W. Womack, dated Washington, saying he would be in Richmond at 3 o'clock, and asked that the committee wait for him. The committee then adjourned until 3:30 o'clock.

Mr. J. W. Womack, the agent of the American Book Company, went on the stand and testified at length, and there were many discrepancies between his testimony and that of Stubbs. He said that he and Col. Stubbs, Capt. Henry and Mr. George Booker played poker in the hotel at Birmingham until four o'clock in the morning, and when they quit he owed Stubbs fifty dollars, and Mr. Booker was five dollars to the good. Being tired out all went to bed in the same room, he with Captain Henry, and Mr. Booker in another bed; that at about 1 o'clock Col. Stubbs having to attend a meeting of the history committee, got up and went out and Mr. Booker soon followed. He and Capt. Henry slept on the floor having been left open. When they awoke Captain Henry found that he had been robbed of \$175 and a gold watch and chain worth \$100. They were penniless and without acquaintances, and Captain Henry went out and borrowed two hundred dollars from Col. Stubbs; that he (Womack) was also indebted to Henry, and that at his request when he met Colonel Stubbs in Richmond the following October he paid him the Henry debt of two hundred dollars with one check, and his poker debt of \$50 with another. He said he had never seen the two checks from that day to this, and would sue the bank to show how they came in the possession of Mr. Baughman.

Mr. Womack created quite a sensation by saying that while he never discussed the question of a bribe with any member of the history committee, he was approached and the matter suggested.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. Charles G. Lennon.

gested by Mr. J. Taylor Stratton, a prominent member of Lee Camp. Mr. Stratton, he said, told him he expected to have all the Virginia list of books revised, and asked Womack to give him a job; that Mr. Stratton stated one salary and he another, but they did not come to terms. Mr. Stratton's brother, Mr. Stratton, demanded that his brother be sent to face his accuser, but as he was not a member of the Grand Camp, the committee could take no action in his case. Major Randolph, of Lee Camp, assured the committee that Lee Camp, of which Mr. Stratton was also a member, would fully investigate the charge against Mr. Stratton.

At six o'clock the committee adjourned to meet this morning to formulate their report. It is said that the checks given by Womack to Stubbs were found in some rubbish in a house in which Womack had formerly lived, and by a strange fatality found their way into the hands of a member of the Grand Camp through a junk dealer.

As a result of the history committee investigation a bill will be offered in the legislature requiring tanks to observe secrecy in regard to checks passing through their hands and imposing a heavy penalty for exposing them to outsiders.

At the regular meeting last night of Lee Camp, Mr. Womack's statements regarding his adjutant, Mr. Stratton, was brought up. The stenographic report of that testimony was read and Mr. Stratton said the statement was not true; that he never made any proposition to Womack for employment whatsoever. The only thing he had ever remarked in such a connection was that work was dull with him; that he ought to be able to get a regular place paying him \$125 a month. The camp unanimously refused to investigate Mr. Stratton's case. Mr. Catlin stating that the matter was not worthy of investigation.

It was stated yesterday that the name of General Fitz Lee had been mentioned at the conference of friends of Col. Stubbs in connection with being at the bottom of the investigation. General Hundley, the counsel for Col. Stubbs, last night made a statement over his own signature about this. After naming those present at the conference, he says:

"Colonel Stubbs turned and said, 'I think General Lee has something to do with this investigation, because since the resolutions calling for an investigation were adopted some gentlemen have told me that they believed General Lee had a finger in it.' Mr. George Booker remarked: 'I don't think so: I am a Lee man and don't believe he had anything to do with it.' Then Colonel Stubbs said: 'Of course, I don't know, but it has been reported in the press that General Lee said he was going to make it warm in Virginia at the next senatorial contest.' General Hundley continues: 'I state most emphatically that at no time has Senator Martin been in Colonel Stubbs' room in consultation with him. So far I know Senator Martin has had no part or lot in this matter and my meeting with him were purely accidental.'"

## THE LEGISLATURE.

## SENATE.

Senators Turnbull and Letcher were appointed on the joint committee to inquire into the excessive criminal charges in many of the counties. The members are Messrs. Winborne, Ruddy and Baz. The election of the judges in the counties to be investigated will be deferred until this committee reports.

Among the bills introduced were to amend the code in regard to the reports of decisions of the Supreme Court of Appeals, maps and other books; to amend sections 2,945 and 2,949 of the code relating to warrants for small claims; to repeal sections 2,038, 2,039 and 2,040 of the code and to define what shall be constituted a lawful fence; to require the return of distress warrants and to provide for process of sale thereunder when necessary.

## HOUSE.

Dr. Quensenberry offered a resolution directing the committee on privileges and elections to "inquire into the propriety of repealing the present election law and reporting a bill that will be free from the objections to the present law." The resolution was referred without debate.

The House passed the bill suspending for sixty days the operation of the law of 1896 in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of the commonwealth.

Mr. Parks introduced two bills. One reduces the minimum fine for violating the law with reference to the sale of liquor from \$100 to \$10 and the other makes the smallest fine for carrying concealed weapons \$25, instead of \$20 as now. Big fights will be made against both of these bills, especially the latter, as the tendency of all recent legislation has been toward increasing the punishment for carrying concealed weapons.

The House passed a resolution relating to the status of the accounts of the county officers with the State treasurer.

The following were among the bills introduced in the House on Thursday: To amend the code in reference to the management, care, compensation, &c., of chain gangs. The bill provides that the city, town or county shall pay the expenses of persons worked in their chain gangs, as at present, with the additional proviso that the State shall also pay 25 cents per day for each prisoner, the accounts to be kept in the same manner as those of jailers.

To amend an act entitled an act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery.

To amend the code relating to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue.

To amend the code providing for appeal allowed the State for erroneous assessment.

A bill amending various sections of the code in relation to the liens of mechanics. [The amendment allows a lien to be filed within sixty days from the completion of the building or structure, instead of requiring it to be filed within sixty days from the time any materials were furnished or work done, the idea being to allow the contractor an opportunity to complete his contract before the lien must be filed.]

To amend the code in regard to the duration of the terms of county courts. The bill provides that courts shall sit in open session only five days in each month.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

## Foreign News.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—M. Remplier, the Judge d'Instruction who had charge of the Panama canal scandal investigation, committed suicide in a sudden attack of insanity, to-day by throwing himself from a window in the Palais de Justice.

MADRID, Dec. 11.—The Imperial published a strong article to-day in which it declares Spain will not accept the right of President McKinley to intervene in Cuba in case the war is prolonged, and demands that the government adopt "the same energetic attitude towards the United States as Germany adopted toward Hayti, because President McKinley's message is equivalent to questioning the right of Spain's sovereignty in Cuba."

ROME, Dec. 11.—The Vatican, it is semi-officially announced, has approved of Mr. Martelli, the papal delegate to the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, visiting Ireland for three weeks. It is pointed out that this approval is regarded as a sign that Hibernalism is regaining favor at the Vatican. Other signs of this are said to be the retirement of Mr. Schroeder from the staff of the University at Washington and the moral position gained at Rome by Archbishop Keane, who is considered likely to be made a cardinal.

## The Bicycle Race.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—When the last day of the six days' bicycle race at Madison Square Garden opened Miller appeared a sure winner. Try as they might his pursuers were unable to cut down his lead. A hard struggle is in progress for second place. Schinnerer pursues Rice like a shadow. Between 4 and 5 a. m. they collided. Both fell but neither was seriously hurt. About an hour later the two men stopped once more and both lay half dead. They were placed on their wheels and again started on their way. A few minutes later Rice slid off his wheel and rolled down the incline, crashing into Paternan's wheel. Eaterman was quickly procured and with an idiotic stare in his drawn face, Rice wobbled around the track. Hale, who has been gradually gaining upon Schinnerer, was in good shape. It was prophesied that he would finish fourth or better. Waller will probably secure fifth place.

Waller who led at 2:15 p. m., had made 1,047 miles. The best previous record for 134 hours was 1,819 miles.

## Again Remanded.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Charles Zanolli, the barber who has collected insurance upon the lives of four wives, a mother-in-law, a daughter and an employee, and who has pleaded guilty of defrauding an insurance company, was again arraigned in court to-day and remanded for further examination. Zanolli's counsel stated that the prisoner was anxious that the police should have every opportunity to assure themselves that the curious sequence of deaths was from natural causes. The prisoner expressed himself perfectly willing that the body of Jennie Sumner, his fourth and last wife, should be exhumed and examined for traces of poison. The body, which is interred in Astoria, L. I., will be taken out of its grave to-day.

## German-Chinese Dispute Settled.

PEKIN, Dec. 11.—The German-Chinese difficulty is practically settled. The Germans refuse to discuss the occupation of Kiao Chou bay; the governor of Shan-Tung province has been removed from office, but will not be any further degraded; no monopoly of mines and railroads is conceded to Germany, but that county is given preference. Finally the area immediately surrounding Kiao Chou bay is set apart exclusively for Germany. China yields on all other points.

## Richard Mansfield.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—A sequel to the troubles between Richard Mansfield, the actor, and John Metzger, his dresser for the stage, developed to day in a civil suit for damages brought by Metzger. Yesterday Mansfield was held under \$600 bail for a further hearing on a criminal charge of assault and battery upon Metzger, to-day Metzger began civil action to recover \$2,500 damages from Mansfield for alleged assault and battery. Metzger alleges that Mansfield struck him with his clenched fist on Tuesday night in consequence of a trivial dispute, while Mr. Mansfield was preparing to go on the stage.

## From China and Japan.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 11.—The steamer Tacoma brings but little news of late happenings in the Orient. Japan is exercised over recent Korean events which indicate the strengthening of Russia's hold upon that country, and is losing its bellicose attitude on the Hawaiian annexation question. In Hong Kong and other cities it has been found necessary to increase wages owing to the depreciation of silver and the rise of commodities.

## Indians on the Warpath.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 11.—Brigadier General Otis received a telegram from Colonel Sumner, the commanding officer of Fort Grant, Arizona, notifying him that a band of Indians went on the warpath day before yesterday and attempted to capture a number of cowboys. Three troops of cavalry have been ordered out to investigate matter and to arrest the Indians if there is any truth in the story.

## Mrs. McKinley.

CANTON, O., Dec. 11.—Dr. Phillips left the bedside of Mrs. McKinley shortly after 12:30 o'clock. He said she was slowly sinking away and that he did not believe that 24 hours' of life remained for her. The President remains almost constantly at the bedside. He is in communication with Washington by telegraph, a direct wire being constantly maintained for his use.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not used twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Charles G. Lennon.

## TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Dispatches from Havana tell of more insurgent defeats and the breaking up of their camps, &c.

Gen. Rius Rivera, the insurgent leader, was released from prison, in Cuba, yesterday, having been pardoned by royal decree.

A proposition to form a gigantic cotton trust composed of southern farmers will be presented to the coming cotton growers' convention in Atlanta.

Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, will relieve all prisoners condemned to death in the State until the proposed new board of pardons is created by the legislature.

The proprietors of book and job printing offices in New York have rejected the demand of the local typographical union for a nine-hour work day for printers employed in such establishments.

The steamer Etruria, which arrived at Queenstown, reports having rescued the crew of the steamer Millfield from Baltimore for Belfast. The decks of the Millfield were being swept by heavy seas, her funnels were gone and she was sinking.

A special from Louisville says: Wm. Lakeland, trainer for Foxhall Keene, to-day bought from John E. Madden the great two-year-old Hamburg. The price was \$60,000. This is the highest price ever paid for a thoroughbred, with the exception of St. Blaise, who brought \$100,000.

President Belmont, of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, says he knows nothing about the steel rail pool to be formed by the six largest steel companies of this country.

## FAIRFAX NOTES.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Snowden was the scene last Wednesday evening of a large surprise party tendered Mrs. Kate Snowden by her numerous friends in the Mt. Vernon community.

Mrs. B. F. Johnson died of congestion of the lungs at her home near Falls Church on Saturday last, leaving a devoted husband and four children. She was a sister of Messrs. F. A. and Joshua Kirby, of this county.—[Herald.]

## Commanding Officer Escaped.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 11.—It was announced on Tuesday last that a French expedition under Major Marchand while on its way up the Nile had been massacred near Bahrelkhal. It is now said that only two officers of the expedition escaped, one of whom is Major Marchand.

## Weather Forecast.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The indications are that the weather will clear by Sunday morning and be generally fair and cool Sunday from the lake regions and New York southward to the east gulf and Florida coasts. Flurries of snow are likely to occur in the lower lake region Sunday morning.

Judge Jos. A. Reid, one of the leading lawyers of Louisiana, was assassinated Thursday night by two unknown men in the corridors of a Frankfort, Washington parish, La. The assassins escaped. The murder is the fruit of the Tangipahoa feud, one of the bloodiest ever known in the State, and Reid makes the eighteenth victim in a comparatively short time. Thirty men have been killed directly or indirectly from this trouble.

Recent advices from the Klondike state that among the gold-seekers is a woman, who is pulling her sled all alone and is making fair time.

General Von Buelow, of the German artillery, is dead.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Her face was instantly relieved by Dr. W. H. Hall, of Falls Church, Va., who, without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy, Charles G. Lennon.

## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Opening quotations showed the tone of the market rather hesitating, important stocks being found in the list both of gains and losses. Later the market developed a more active tone, and gains were not important in the standard shares.

## WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA.

Flour Extra.....	3 75	a	4 00
Family.....	4 75	a	5 00
Fancy brands.....	5 25	a	5 75
Wheat, longberry.....	0 92	a	0 97
Mixed 32-34.....	0 84	a	0 93
Fair.....	0 82</		